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UPDATE

Four Arrested in Connection with Home Invasion Robbery

On August 26, 2013 a Pleasanton resident, who had been gambling at a Bay Area casino, reported a home invasion robbery at his residence on Roselma Place in Pleasanton. Pleasanton Police Detectives worked closely with agents from the California Department of Justice Bureau of Gambling Control during the months-long investigation and identified four individuals believed to be responsible for the robbery.

On October 24, 2013 a large scale operation was carried out during which three search and arrest warrants were served in the City of Oakland and a fourth in the City of Hercules. SWAT teams from Oakland Police and Fremont Police, along with the East County Tactical Team, were deployed to assist detectives and agents at the four separate residences. Three individuals were arrested and booked into Santa Rita Jail on robbery charges. All three were taken into custody without incident by the SWAT teams. Arrested were 24 year-old Jakari Bolden of Oakland, 25 year-old Terrell Bailey of Oakland, and 30 year-old Thomas Stokes of Hercules.

On November 6, 2013 a fourth suspect, 20 year-old Myrick Rucker, was taken into custody from his residence in Antioch by the East County Tactical Team in concert with the Antioch Police, who were assisting Pleasanton Police Detectives and agents from the California Department of Justice Bureau of Gambling Control. Rucker was taken into custody without incident by the SWAT team. Rucker was also booked at Santa Rita Jail on robbery charges.

Serving felony arrest warrants, where crimes involve the use of firearms, will typically involve a SWAT team consisting of specially trained individuals. The Fremont and Oakland SWAT teams were instrumental in the operation, as were the members of the Livermore and Pleasanton Police Departments who make up the East County Tactical Team. The Hercules Police Department, the Antioch Police Department and the Livermore Police Department also assisted in the operation. Agents of the California Department of Justice Bureau of Gambling Control played a significant role in this investigation while collaborating with the Pleasanton Police Investigations Division.

Home Invasion Robbery Targets Casino Winner

On Monday, August 26, 2013 at approximately 12:37pm the Pleasanton Police Department received a 911 call from a resident on Roselma Place, just off upper Bernal Avenue, reporting that she and her husband had been robbed at gunpoint five minutes earlier.

The victim advised that she had just arrived home, exited her vehicle and was attempting to close the garage door when she was confronted by three men armed with guns. The suspects forced her into the house, where they then confronted her husband as well and demanded "the money." The husband complied and gave them the cash out of fear for his and his wife's safety.

The husband was apparently gambling at a Bay Area casino from Sunday evening into the early hours of Monday morning. After winning an undisclosed amount of money, he took a cab home and fell asleep in a downstairs bedroom, leaving the cash beside him in a bag. The robbery occurred several hours later.

The three suspects were all described as black male adults, roughly 19 to 23 years of age, of approximately 5'8" in height and weighing 150 pounds. Each was wearing a red "hoodie" sweatshirt and black pants, and all donned bandanas during the robbery. Per the victim, the suspects fled on foot out of the house toward Bernal Avenue. She was unsure whether there was a vehicle involved.

Anyone with information that would assist in the investigation is encouraged to contact the Pleasanton Police Department at (925) 931-5100.



Thomas Stokes



Jakari Bolden





Myrick Rucker